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EXPLANATORY NOTES FOR CHART: COMPARISON OF PRINCIPAL PROVISIONS OF THE CIVIL SERVICE AND FOREIGN SERVICE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS

- 1. EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION: The employee's contribution is the same under either system.
- 2. MAXIMUM ANNUITY: Civil service permits 80% of base pay. This results from 41 years 11 months of service. Foreign Service permits 70% of base pay which results from 35 years of service. The lower limit under Foreign Service is not significant since our entire emphasis is shortening total length of service.
- 3. FORMULA FOR COMPUTING ANNUITY: The Foreign Service system uses a straight 2% formula. Under civil service, the formula is 1% for the first 5 years, 1 3/4 for the second 5 years, and 2% thereafter. You will note that the civil service system requires a reduction in annuity for each year under 60. This amounts to 15% at age 50. The Foreign Service system has no such reduction.
- 4. MANDATORY RETIREMENT: Generally, the Foreign Service mandatory retirement age is 60, which is 10 years below that of the civil service system.
- DISCONTINUED SERVICE/SELECTION OUT: While both systems have an age 50 with 20 years of service feature, as I have explained, there is a substantial increase in the amount of annuity under the 2% Foreign Service formula due to the fact that there is no actuarial reduction for age.

 In addition, Foreign Service Officers in Classes 1, 2, and 3, with 5 years of service, receive an immediate annuity regardless of age. When ineligible for an immediate annuity, officers in Classes 4 through 7 receive separation compensation.

The remaining features are generally comparable, however under the Foreign Service system a deferred annuity begins at age 60 rather than 62.

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Civil Service

Foreign Service

EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTION

61% Base Pay

62% Base Pay

MAXIMUM ANNUTTY

80% Base Pay

70% Base Pay

FORMULA FOR COMPUTING

BASIC ANNUITY

lst 5 years - 1½% of "high 5", plus Next 5 years - 1 3/4% of "high 5", plus Each additional year - 2% of "high 5"

ACTUARIAL REDUCTION

1/12 of 1% for each of the first 60 months under the age 60 and 1/6% for each additional month over

2% of "high 5" times years \circ f service

60 months under age 60

MANDATORY RETIREMENT

Age 70 with 15 or more years service

OPTIONAL RETIREMENT

Age 62 with 5 years service

Age 50 with 20 years service

Age 60 with 30 years service Age 55 with 30 years service

(immediate annuity)

(immediate annuity with actwarial reduction)

DISCONTINUED SERVICE/SELECTION

OUT

Any age with 25 years service Age 50 with 20 years service

(immediate annuity both with actuarial reduction)

Age 50 with 20 years service (immediate annuity) Classes 1, 2 &3-1mmediate earned annuity-any age with 5 years service. Classes 4-7-separation compensation at the rate of one month's pay per year of service up to one year's pay and deferred annuity at age 60.

high-five or extension of service to age 60 using basic formula.)

DISABILITY RETIREMENT

Five years civilian service. (Minimum - Lesser of 40% of high-five or extension of service to age 60 using basic formula.)

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RESIGNATION PRIOR TO ATTAIN-ING ELIGIBILITY FOR ANNUITY

Deposits refunded or receipt of a deferred annuity at age 62.

Deposits refunded or receipt of a deferred annuity at age 60.

ELECTIVE SURVIVOR BENEFIT

A survivor annuity can be provided to children, the widow or widower with reduction to basic annuity of insured. Terminates on death or remarriage. An unmarried person may designate a beneficiary, having an insurable interest.

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SOCIAL SECURITY PARTICIPATION

None

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